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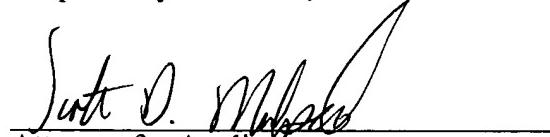
Japanese patent document number 2004-282017 generally corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,844,918 and U.S. patent application publication numbers 2004/0114143 A1 and 2004/0129900 A1.

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